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THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: S. Yanagi Attorney Docket No.: NAI118875
Application No.: 10/088,781 Art Unit: 3725 / Confirmation No.: 9523
Filed: July 25, 2002 Examiner: M. Rosenbaum
Title: PARTICULATE MATTER VIBRO-FLUIDIZING APPARATUS

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 /
PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Seattle, Washington 98101

December 6, 2006

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application, in which prosecution is closed.

- X 1. A submission as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is submitted as follows. An Amendment is enclosed herewith.
- X 2. Small entity status was previously asserted and continues to be appropriate.
- X 3. Applicant respectfully requests that the shortened statutory period for response to the final Office Action, dated August 10, 2006, set to expire on November 10, 2006, be extended by 1 month, to expire on December 10, 2006. The enclosed check includes the 1-month extension fee of \$60.00.
- X 4. The filing fee for the present request for continued examination is calculated below. No claims in excess of the number previously submitted are being added.

COMPUTATION OF FEE

	Number Filed After Any Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Basic RCE Filing Fee	-	=	x	=	395
Total Claims	12	- 20	= 0	x 25	= 0
Independent Claims	2	- 3	= 0	x 100	= 0
Extension of Time			+	60	60
TOTAL					\$455

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- X 5. Check No. 173289 in the amount of \$455.00, as computed above, is enclosed in payment of the required fees for filing the present request for continued examination.
- X 6. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this request is enclosed.

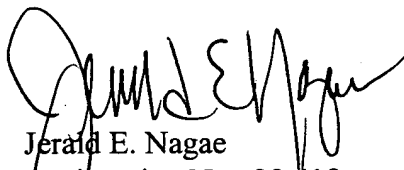
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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service in a sealed envelope as first-class mail with postage thereon fully prepaid and addressed to Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the below date.

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